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# SPORTS

## 86 teams signed up for AuSable Marathon



The AuSable River Canoe Marathon celebrated its 60th anniversary in 2007, a year that featured 75 paddling teams – a new record at the time. In each year since, the AuSable Marathon – a 120-mile all-night canoe race from Grayling to Oscoda slated for the last full weekend in July – has surpassed the previous year's record for most teams. Is 2011 the year that the participation number starts to level off, or will the event have another record field, possibly reaching the 100-team plateau for the first time?

"We'll probably be in the 80s," said John Lucey, member of the AuSable River Canoe Marathon Committee. "Probably not another record year. I think we're going to be close to where we were last year." Pg. 13

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The Grayling Youth Booster Club held its annual Kids Free Fishing Contest, free games and attractions in the AuSable River City Park on the Fourth of July. Above, Jordan Bondar, 9, from Grayling, takes part in the fishing contest. See Pages 14 and 20 for more on Grayling's Fourth of July activities.

Photos by Dan Sanderson



The Grayling Youth Booster Club raised money through donations to help fund the Fourth of July fireworks who for the community. Above, a colorful firework is captured near the tail end of the show.



A mini-basketball shooting contest was among the Fourth of July Kids games held on Monday. Above, Rachel Flowers, of Grayling, prepared to sink a basketball through the mini-basketball hoop.

## Laser show wows crowd for first Frederic Home Fest

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A Michigan native at the top of his field, a family reunion, lady luck and the Frederic Home Fest added up to a stellar laser light show for northern Michigan for the Fourth of July weekend.

The inaugural Frederic Home Fest was held in downtown Frederic on Saturday and Sunday.

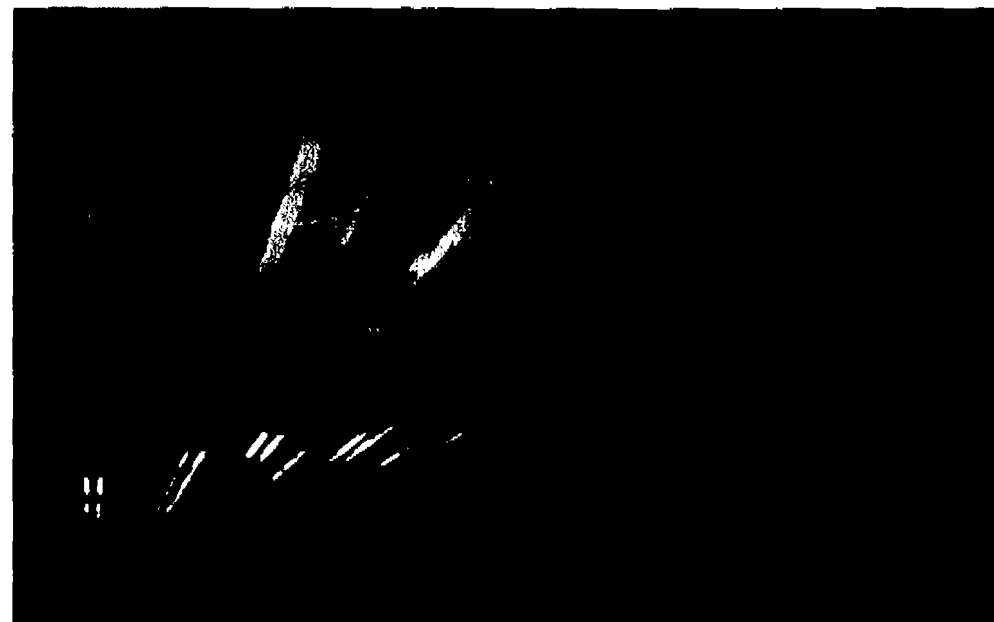
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the Saturday laser show.

Nu-Salt Laser Light Shows International, a California based firm, is owned and operated by Tim Anderson.

Anderson has several ties to Michigan and Grayling. His parents, Pam and Dale Anderson, live in

Negaunee, where he was raised. Anderson's sister and her husband, Tracy and Ben LaMothe, live in Grand Blanc. Finally, Anderson's cousin is Jody Robson, who works as a counselor at the Grace Center, and resides in Grayling with her. See LASER SHOW | Pg. 7



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## Man arrested for brother's murder

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A 60-year-old man was shot and killed by his brother on Sunday.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield said Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to a report of a subject with a gunshot wound in northeast Frederic at

6:10 p.m. on Sunday, July 3.

Deputies arrived to find a 60-year-old male subject down.

Deputies and the Michigan State Police K9 Unit from Houghton Lake secured the suspect and aided the victim with life saving measures. The victim was transported to Mercy Hospital Grayling, where he

was declared dead on arrival.

Deputies arrested a 71-year-old man for the shooting of his brother. The Frederic man is currently being held at the Crawford County Jail on an open murder charge. The suspect's name is being withheld pending arraignment. The victim's name will be released after all relatives are

notified.

Deputies were assisted by Grayling City Police, the Michigan State Police Crime Lab in Grayling, troopers from the Gaylord Post of the Michigan State Police and Frederic Township EMS.

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"As our schools are recognized once again by the Michigan Department of Education as a high performing district, our Board of Education wants to continue a high level of performance for our students, our parents and our entire county," Powers said. "Schools are the heart of communities and CASD wants to continue to be a strong, integral part of Crawford County."

Since the state changed our local school funding this year by providing over \$1.2 million dollars less to Crawford County, our school board has had many serious discussions about long-term planning, Powers said.

The COOR special education ballot question is one of the few ways that additional operational funds can be raised. In last year's dollars, the issue would have raised over \$340,000 for our school district. Thankfully, our community supported the schools, Powers said. However, three of the other schools in the COOR service area defeated the issue. It must be a total popular "yes" vote to pass. The other schools are currently deciding on having the issue on the November ballot.

For our school district, our school board has been debating our individual school district needs, Powers said.

In 2006, our voters were

very supportive in passing the bus bond. Through that bond, our voters approved the purchase of 12 new busses. Since we have the 11th largest district in the state by square mileage, our busses see a lot of use," Powers noted. The last buses were purchased in 2010.

The Board of Education would like citizen feedback on a bond issue for 2012. The question would include the following:

- Purchasing six new buses.
- Repaving of the Grayling Elementary parking lot.
- Paving of the elementary school's bus loop, which would be moved to its former location.

"This would be done to allow the existing bus loop to be a parent drop off and to separate bus and parent traffic," Power said. "This will increase traffic safety, ease congestion and provide easier access for our parents as well as for the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library."

• Change the AuSable Primary School gym into a central office.

"This would allow one single entrance for parents and students," Power said.

"This change would also allow us to have one office area instead of two," Powers added. "The change would also allow us to provide space for the non-profit preschool in the elementary school."

• Change the Grayling Elementary School and AuSable Primary School cafeteria into a multipurpose performance area for K-5.

"We have an elementary band program and are one of the few districts that still have K-12 music," Powers said. "This area would provide a stage for performances, concerts and provide a room for the elementary band. This would allow the cafeteria to be used, a rubber floor for elementary physical education, full-size gym for after school events, as well as for elementary graduation, science fair, band, music, choir and the performing arts."

Since the state's funding has been drastically reduced without much change in sight, our Board of Education has to examine ways to keep our schools on top for the benefit of our youth and for our entire population, Powers said.

If this question was put on the ballot in 2012 for the school district, it would raise the millage 0.25 mills for four years before the millage rate would drop over 1.0 mills. The additional millage for a \$100,000 house with a state equalized value of \$50,000 would be \$12.50 per year. Over four years, it would be \$50.

Citizens can contact Powers at (989) 344-3500 for more information and to provide feedback.

"If we do this, we have to get in contact with the State Treasury and get architectural plans to the Department of Education so we'll have to get rolling relatively soon," Powers said.

## Grayling tackles city blight issues

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

As the days of summer roll along, Grayling City officials are addressing properties where there are unmowed lawns, junk and junk vehicles.

Grayling City Manager/Police Chief Doug Baum said that Grayling's Department of Public Works crews have started mowing lawns and trimming weeds where property owners are not properly maintaining their lawns.

Some of the properties are on vacant property or at foreclosed homes. Baum said notices that the city requires lawns to be maintained are being sent to banks, but the lending institutions do not want to pay to have the lawns mowed. They would rather have the expenses placed on the tax bills, which are then passed on to the next homeowner.

"I don't see where we are going to get a lot of cooperation from the banks," Baum said.

Zoning and law enforcement officials are also having junk removed from property and junk vehicles are being towed.

Baum noted that owners of some junk cars, which have been towed, bring up the property owned by Gerald Respecki in their defense. Respecki resides at 402 Erie St., across from the Grayling Elementary School, the AuSable Primary Schools and near Mercy Hospital Grayling.

For several years, the city has been trying to address blight issues on property Respecki owns on Erie Street and at 1001 East Michigan Ave.

Earlier this year, Grayling City Attorney Michael Edwards filed a lawsuit in Crawford County Circuit Court. The city is seeking a court order that will allow officials to go on to Respecki's property and abate the blight issues that are in violation of the City of Grayling's Code of Ordinances. Respecki would then be assessed the cost for the clean up on his tax bill.

A hearing was scheduled for the blight case on June 8, but was adjourned to July 18, Baum said.

Baum said city officials receive complaints about Respecki's property on a daily basis.

Currently, Respecki has for sale signs on several of his vehicles since there is a clause in the city's ordinances that allow people to have vehicles and other items on their property for sale up to 90 days.

Baum told the Grayling City Council last week that city officials are keeping a watchful eye on that 90-day deadline.

"After 90 days, the vehicles will be getting towed," Baum said. "I don't care where we are at in court."

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## Picking and grinning at the Grayling Farm Market



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String Time, a Grayling-based bluegrass band, regularly provides entertainment at the Grayling Farm Market. Last Thursday, the band was joined by Holly Dymes, who sang classic songs such as John Denver's "Country Road" with the band. Dymes is the granddaughter of JoEllen McDonald, of Roscommon, who sells bread, baked goods and jams at the Grayling Farm Market. Above, Dymes is pictured with String Time members Jerry Casey and Rick Febey.

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In May, Crawford County voters passed the special education millage by a 488 yes to 416 no vote. The millage in the ISD's four-county service area, however, was defeated by a 4,684 no to 2,878 yes vote.

Now, since Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder and the legislature have kept per pupil funding and cuts to education in place, along with declining property values and enrollment, the districts proposing to put the millage back before voters.

"We have to find ways to replace money that has been diverted from K-12 schools," Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Joe Powers said. "To deal with the raid of school funds by the governor and the Republican Legislature to pay for tax breaks for small businesses, we have got to both look at ways to raise revenue and reduce expenditures. We're

trying to do both for the sake of our kids here in Crawford County."

The millage was also supported by voters in the Fairview and Mio AuSable School Districts, but was given a thumbs down by voters in the Houghton Lake, Roscommon and West Branch-Rose City School Districts.

Powers said that all districts want to give voters a second chance to support the millage given the current school funding environment in the state.

"We are extremely grateful to our citizens of Crawford County, which supported the use of COOR ISD funding and now, neighboring schools would like opportunity to ask their voters to support the issue once again," he said.

Powers noted that a \$17 million plus bond issue, sought by West Branch-Rose City School District, attributed to no votes for the ISD millage in May. The millage, which was proposed to fund several school building projects and initiatives for schools within West Branch-Rose City School District.

"That issue they are not taking back to the voters," Powers said. "They want to support the COOR special education millage because all those dollars go to the local schools and are staying within the respective districts."

Robert Jones, superintendent for COOR ISD, said the board would consider

putting the millage on the ballot at its July meeting.

Jones noted that the COOR ISD is still among the third lowest ISD funded in the state.

Proposal A was aimed at bringing funding parity to school districts across the state. But the per pupil funding for the seven surrounding ISDs is \$3,441. An average millage rate of 57 ISDs across the state is \$3,598, while the COOR ISD only generates \$1,484.

The annual cost of the .5852 mill increase to a homeowner with a \$100,000 home assessed at \$50,000 would be \$29.26.

"It would increase for every dollar we raise, an additional dollar for local districts," Jones said.

Jones said that providing services to low incident special education student is still more efficient than districts providing the services on their own. The programs are offered at the COOR ISD, which is based in Roscommon, or at the individual districts.

"It's the most cost effective way to provide special education, but right now it's still ends up costing the local districts to cover the shortfall," Jones said.

Jones acknowledged that it would be a difficult job getting the millage passed given the current economic times in the state.

"It wouldn't be an easy task to get the millage passed, although it would be a very big benefit," he said.

Crawford County

## Woman dies in rollover crash

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A 28-year-old Lake Orion woman was killed after falling asleep at the wheel on I-75 on Sunday.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield said Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to a rollover accident with injuries on southbound I-75 just south of the Otsego/Crawford County Line at 9:07 a.m. on Sunday, July 3.

Off duty Michigan State Police Troopers reported the single car accident and advised dispatchers that there were multiple injuries. Deputies arrived on scene

shortly after the initial call and met with emergency personnel already treating five injured passengers, four of them young children. The driver of the vehicle was identified as 28-year-old female, Jesse Sylvester of Lake Orion. Sylvester was pronounced dead at the scene.

Investigations revealed that Sylvester had been traveling since late Saturday evening and had fallen asleep while driving.

Two of the minor children and Sylvester were ejected from the vehicle.

Two of the children were flown to Hurley Medical

Center in Flint, and the other passengers were treated at Mercy Hospital Grayling. Deputies said that lack of sleep and failure to wear safety belts contributed to the fatality and the injuries. Only the front passenger, who received minor injuries, was wearing a seatbelt.

Other agencies assisting in the accident were the Frederic Fire/EMS, Otsego County EMS, the Otsego Lake Township Fire Department, the Gaylord City Police Department, and Gaylord Michigan State Police.

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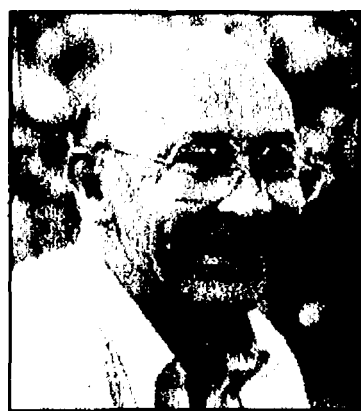
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## Almanack

by Richard Milliman

### Presidential chase attracts Michiganian

MICHIGAN NOW has its own candidate in the official mix among Republicans battling for the party's 2012 nomination for president.

US Rep. Thaddeus McCotter of Livonia, Michigan born and Michigan bred, has tossed his hat officially into the ring.

Despite the resounding chorus of "Who's that?" Michigan should be proud.

Some states even have two candidates. Minnesota is sending former Gov. Tim Pawlenty and US Rep. Michelle Bachman into the battle.

At the moment, Texas has a sole contender in US Rep. Ron Paul, but Gov. Rick Perry is in the shadows, likely to become a candidate soon. After all, Texas always does things up big, so why not two candidates for president, at least.

In fact, back in the 2000 presidential campaign, both Republican candidates for president and vice president, and both oil men, called Texas home the year before the election, but future Vice President Dick Cheney went officially back home to Wyoming so he could run

with future President George Bush and satisfy the constitutional dictate that the president and vice president cannot come from the same state.

Unless Mr. McCotter wins the nomination, which is unlikely, and wants Gov. Rick Snyder or some other Michiganian as his running mate, there should be no problem in this case.

**WHO IS HE?** – The question of identity obviously is a serious one for Thaddeus McCotter in his late-blooming bid for the nomination.

Despite the facts that he has been in Congress for 10 years, was a state senator before that and active in politics, government and civic affairs for many years, it's a safe guess that even most outstate Michiganians don't recognize the name or his public roles so far.

Thaddeus G. McCotter is 45, married with three children, born in Detroit, educated in Detroit Catholic schools including law degree from University of Detroit. He was an elected county commissioner and community college trustee, Wayne county Republican

activist and state, district and county party official.

He also is an avid guitarist, and reportedly a talented one, and struck up a few numbers as he announced his official candidacy at a Whitmore Lake Independence Day picnic. His congressional district includes parts of Wayne and Oakland counties.

In Congress, he has been on committees on budget, small business, international relations with subcommittees on Europe and the Middle East, and joint economic committee. This experience reached into the top issue areas discussed most often in the campaign – the economy, the budget, and international affairs. But the problem remains about his identity, what he has done and wants to do, where he stands, and with such obviously slim chances at success, why is he running.

I have never met Mr. McCotter, but from various news accounts over the years I deduce he is articulate, witty, a good speaker, infected with a streak of independence. He has been described as a Christian conservative, which pos-

ture also has been assumed by most of the other Republicans in the race.

Redistricting of congressional seats has left the McCotter district as very winnable, so if his presidential bid wanes as the campaign progresses, he could opt to file for reelection to congress in the same 2012 election.

**TWO NATIVE SONS** – If place of birth is considered, Michigan now has two native sons in the Republican presidential patch.

Mitt Romney, generally considered the front runner among the GOP candidates, was born in Oakland County and was educated there through high school during the years his father, George Romney, was governor.

I knew Mitt Romney when he was a teenager and I was his father's gubernatorial press secretary and I liked him. Mitt was enthusiastic about most things as a teenager with a bright and inquisitive mind. There was no "off button" on him at that time. So I have a natural bias in his favor as he chases for higher public office.

Mitt Romney, a dedicated Mormon, after high school took his church related two year assignment as a missionary, being sent to France, then finished his college education outside Michigan. He has lived for years in Massachusetts where he ran for US Senate and lost to a Ted Kennedy reelection bid, but later was elected governor for one term.

Despite pro-Romney bias, as a writer for more than 60 years, I have learned and still practice the art of separation and objectivity in covering people I know. I have always done it. I will continue to do it.

If Mitt Romney should win the GOP nomination, he could choose Thad McCotter as a running mate – or the other way around. There's no constitutional ban on that.

An almost-all Michigan ticket: Now wouldn't that be grand?

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# Briefs

## Legion Auxiliary to hold meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 13 at 2 p.m., at the American Legion Hall.

## Car Show meeting to be held

Organizers for the Old 27 Motor Tour Vintage Car Show will meet at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, July 13, at Spikes Keg O' Nails to discuss plans for the Friday, August 26 event.

## Blood drive to be held

A blood drive will be held on Wednesday, July 6, at the Grayling American Legion, from noon - 5:45 p.m.

## Church to hold concert

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, N. I-75 Bus. Loop, will hold a celebration with a concert and BBQ on Saturday, July 16, from noon to 4 p.m., featuring David Paul Britton. Admission is a non-perishable food item for the Christian Help Center. The public is invited to attend.

## ADHD workshop to be held

A special workshop on ADD/ADHD, Ritalin facts and alternative choices will be held at the Days Inn, at 6 p.m. on July 14. It is sponsored by the National Wellness Foundation and is free. Call 989-348-6600 to reserve space.

## Photographic Society to meet

The Grayling Photographic Society will meet on Monday, July 11 in the Citizens Bank Building. GPS member Stan Prevost will present a program on how to build a digital slide show with music that can be viewed on a personal computer and shared over the internet. He will build a show from scratch during the program, and then present the show using a digital projector. Guests are welcome. Park in the rear, enter rear door, turn right down the stairs.

## Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to [crawfordcountyavalanche.com](http://crawfordcountyavalanche.com), click on community and go to the community calendar.

## Loan programs help people with disabilities

The Michigan Assistive Technology Loan Fund program is available to help people with disabilities buy technology or equipment to work from home.

The Michigan Assistive Technology Loan Fund program is available through United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan and Option 1 Credit Union. For a number of reasons, individuals with disabilities often find it difficult to access loans as a method to purchase necessary equipment. The Michigan Assistive Technology Loan Fund allows people to buy ramps and elevators, hearing aids, power wheelchairs, computers and peripherals, vehicles with adaptive controls or lifts, home modifications, etc.

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## District Health Department #10 Community Calendar

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for July.

Immunization clinics: July 20 and 22 by appointment. Call 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

Family planning clinic: July 5, 12 and 19. Call 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

WIC clinics: This program provides supplemental foods and nutrition education for eligible pregnant and breast feeding women, infants and children. July 8, 14, 15, 18, 20, 21, 28 and 29. Call 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training sessions. For information,

call 231-876-3839.

Breast and cervical cancer screenings are available to women ages 40-64 who have limited or no health insurance. A clinic is scheduled for July 12 and 19 in Grayling. Call 989-348-7800, ext. 8042, for an appointment.

Hearing and vision screenings. This is a free program for children ages 3 through 3rd grade. Appointments are necessary. Call 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

The Crawford County branch office of District Health Department #10 is located on Meadows Drive, east of the South I-75 Business Loop, in Grayling.



The Lovells Township Historical Society will present its 5th Annual Beaver, Beer and Banjo Dinner, an evening of historic fun, at 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 16, at the Riverside Tavern. Above, Ruth Caid, Fred Schaibly and Margie Harwood Thompson are pictured at one of the early beaver barbecue dinners started in the 1950s.

## Annual Beaver, Beer and Banjo Dinner slated

Back in the late 1950's, after WWII, a Lovells businessman, fly tier and beaver trapper by the name of Pat Harwood would save some beaver that he trapped during the winter season.

His wife Margie, now Margie Thomson, would prepare a barbecue beaver dinner and bring it to Roy Scott's Bar, now the Riverside Tavern, for the local townspeople to enjoy.

The Lovells Township Historical Society will present its 5th Annual Beaver, Beer and Banjo Dinner, an evening of historic fun, at 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 16, at the Riverside Tavern, located at the corner of F-97 and County Road 612 in Lovells.

Beaver barley stew, made

by Dixie Dave's Restaurant in Birch Run, will be served with rolls for free. Beer and other beverages can be purchased from the tavern, and Barry Van Guilder, a famous banjo player, who used to live in Lovells and remembers and attended the early beaver dinners, will play banjo music and sing.

The event will run from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and the beaver barley stew will be served as long as the supply lasts.

Proceeds, from donations, are allocated to the Anna Biernat Scholarship Fund, awarded by the Lovells Township Historical Society.

More information is available by calling Glen Eberly at (989) 348-3084.

## Hartwick Pines to host annual Wood Shaving Days

Mark your calendars now for July 16 and 17 to come out to Hartwick Pines State Park for the annual Wood Shaving Days Festival held at the Logging Museum.

On Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., enjoy the sights, sounds, and scents of the historic steam powered sawmill cutting logs into pine boards, listen to traditional music, and observe the art of wood carving, wood burning and other woodcrafters.

Also included during Wood Shaving Days are demonstrations by blacksmiths, weavers, and wool spinners and a historic surveying reenactment.

There will be a match of "Vintage Base Ball" with the home club Hartwick Pines Swambers taking on the Petoskey Moss Backs on Sunday, July 17 at 1 p.m., at the park's picnic area. This is a chance to see baseball as it was played in the mid-1800s, without a glove and with a few different rules than what are used to today.

Wood Shaving Days will be held on the grounds of the Logging Museum at Hartwick Pines State Park. The Logging Museum is a field site of the Michigan Historical Museum and interprets the white pine logging era of 1840-1910. Wood Shaving Days is sponsored by the Friends of Hartwick Pines and all proceeds go towards the interpretive and educational programs at Hartwick Pines State Park.

## Raffle Winners

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# The Bible Speaks

## Love & Harm

In studying how love fulfills the law we have studied love and sex - "Thou shalt not commit adultery;" love and murder - "Thou shalt not kill;" love and stealing - "Thou shalt not steal;" love and lying - "Thou shalt not bear false witness;" love and coveting - "Thou shalt not covet;" and love and the Golden Rule, "...and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, 'Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.'" The Golden Rule is the positive summary of how love fulfills the law.

Now in Romans 13:10 we study the negative summary of how love fulfills the law: "10Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law." The word translated "ill" is sometimes also translated harm or evil in other verses. So working our neighbor ill, harm, or evil is the very opposite of loving them. Obviously sins like adultery, murder, stealing, lying, and coveting are never caused by love. Such sins are caused by selfish lust and hatred.

God warns us not to have thoughts of ill, harm, or evil toward others. 1 Corinthians 10:6 warns us not to lust after evil things. Romans 1:30 warns us not to be haters of God who invent evil things. Romans 16:19 instructs us to be wise toward good than we are toward evil. Jesus taught us in Mark 7:21 that "evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders," come from within out of the heart.

God warns us not to speak ill, harmful, or evil words toward others. "33Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners." (1 Cor. 15:33). James 3:8 warns us, "8But the tongue can no man tame; it is an

unruly evil, full of deadly poison." 1 Peter 3:10 warns us, "10For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile."

God warns us not to work or do ill, harm, or evil toward others. "17Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men." (Romans 12:17). "21Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." (Romans 12:21). "15See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men." (1 Thess 5:15). "11Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God." (3 John 1:11).

We studied in Romans 13:3,4 how God uses human government to punish us for doing ill, harm, or evil toward others: "3For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: 4For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil." "10For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ: that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." (2 Cor. 5:10). Harming others will be judged! Pastor "B"

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## Obituaries

### Earl M. Hunter

Earl Mark Hunter, 77, of Charlotte, died June 22, 2011, at Ingham Memorial Hospital.

He was born March 20, 1934 in Vandergrift, Penn., the son of David and Gladys Hunter.

He was raised in Pennsylvania and attended Vandergrift schools, graduating in 1950.

He married Doris Gail Addair on July 12, 1956, in Lexington, West Va.,

He was employed by Michigan Bell. He was also a dairy farmer and a truck driver.

He was a veteran of the Korean War in the Air Force and he was a member of the Charlotte Kiwanis.

She is survived by his wife, Doris Gail Hunter; Mark (Cheri) Evans Hunter, Ross (Loralie) Hunter and Matthew (Jennifer) Hunter; grandchildren: Mark Jr., Michael, Samantha Cole, James and Collyn Hunter.

Memorial contributions may be made to Charlotte Kiwanis and the American Heart Association.

### Eloise Schmidt

A memorial service for Eloise Schmidt will be held at the Grayling cemetery on July 16, at 11 a.m., followed by a gathering of friends at KP Lake watch for signs and balloons. Call Harold for more information, 231-645-3319.

## Library News

"Sit & Knit" will meet at Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, July 7 at 10 a.m. Share some quality time with other needle heads and hear a few good yarns at the library.

Teens and tweens - "U R Here!" at the Frederic Community Library on Friday, July 8 at 6 p.m. Join us for adventure during the summer reading program with stories, crafts and food. Call Connie Meyer at 989-348-4067 for additional information.

Sit & Knit at Night meets on Tuesday, July 12 at Devereaux Memorial Library at 5 p.m. Join our evening knitting club and we promise to keep you in stitches.

Take a walk about in Australia (the land down under) at Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, July 14 at 1 p.m. Kangaroos, koala bears and boomerangs... oh my! Suitable for ages 6-12, sign up required. Call Jane at 989-348-9214.

# Michelson to welcome new pastor on Sunday

The congregation at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will welcome new pastor Pat Robbins this Sunday.

Robbins comes to Grayling from the BASS Charge, which includes the Bethel, Akron, and Sutton-Sunshine United Methodist Churches, in the Caro area.

Robbins graduated from The Methodist Theological School in Ohio. His first appointment was as the associate pastor of the Capac Charge, which includes the Capac First, Zion and Cole United Methodist Churches.

In between assignments, Robbins served as the interim pastor for the Lake Orion United Methodist Church. Robbins and his wife, Karen have also served on several committees in the Port Huron District.

Robbins and Karen have been married for 34 years.

Parents of four grown children and eight grandchildren ranging from age 1 to 10, the Robbins will be camping with six of their grandchildren at the Simpson Park Camp in



The congregation at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will welcome new pastor Pat Robbins this Sunday. Above, Robbins is pictured with wife, Karen.

Romeo this summer. The couple enjoys many different activities both indoors and outdoors. Two of Pastor Robbins' favorite activities are hunting and fishing and he looks forward to learning where the best spots are around Grayling.

The Robbins completed

their move at the end of June.

Pastor Robbins will begin his duties at the pulpit at the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. services on Sunday, July 10. The Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church is located at 400 East Michelson Ave.

## Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, July 8 -breaded cod, carrots, cole slaw and applesauce. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Card Golf, 12 p.m. Frederic/Maple Forest Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo and Pool.

Monday, July 11 - Lunch - breaded chicken sandwich, peas, potato salad and an orange. Dinner - Salisbury steak with gravy,

mashed, potatoes, Prince Charles blend and apricots. 10 a.m. quilting, 1 p.m. Bridge, 2:30 p.m. Bunco.

Tuesday, July 12 - Lunch - salmon patty, baked potato, corn, winter blend vegetable and pears. Dinner - stuffed peppers, carrots, beets and fruit cocktail. 10 a.m. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m. Community garden meeting at the garden.

Wednesday, July 13 - Lunch - BBQ pork sandwich, O'Brien potatoes, Brussels sprouts and peaches. Birthday Dinner - baked ham, marshmallow sweet

potatoes, peas and carrots, pineapple and cake and ice cream. 1 p.m. pool league, Wii bowling and Mahjong, 5 p.m. Glen's Market birthday dinner.

Thursday, July 14 - Lunch - burrito, lettuce and tomato, rice, green beans, fruit cocktail and cherry turnover. Dinner - pepperoni pizza, asparagus, coleslaw and a banana. 10 a.m. craft class and Pokemo, 1 p.m. UnLucky 7's, 3 p.m. Cardio.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

## Range Firing

Range activities at Camp Grayling for July 14-20 will be as follows:

Small arms ranges, located north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, south of Portage Creek and west of Lake Margrethe, July 14-20.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Grayling Moorestown Road/Cadillac Road and on the south by Carrier Road, July 17 and

19-20.

Range 17, hand grenade range, located south of the main post, north of Carrier Road, inside the 13 Complex, July 14 and 19-20.

The 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), July 14-20.

The 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), July 14-20. The 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Road, east of Jones Lake Road, south of County Road 612 and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, July 14-20.

In addition, the following roads will be closed July 14 - Aug. 7: Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Wakeley Bridge Road; Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to North Down River Road; Stephen Bridge Road from County Road 612 to North Down River Road; and Wakeley Bridge Road from Country Road 612 to North Down River Road.

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371.

For further information call 989-344-6100.



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- Wednesday Evening Service: 7pm

URL: <http://www.churchalive.com>  
Pastor: [patrick@churchalive.com](mailto:patrick@churchalive.com)

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6441 West M-72, Grayling, MI  
Church office: 989-348-5850  
stfrancis@frontier.com

July: Sunday Worship Services at 9:30am  
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231-258-6107

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Sunday School - 9am

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Prayer Meeting - Wed. Evenings 8:30pm  
Adult Bible Study - Wed. Evenings 6:45pm  
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989-348-2701  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Sunday Morning Worship 11am  
Wednesday Evening Worship 7 pm

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Pastor: Dr. Robert Barnett  
Sunday School: 9:45am  
Morning Worship: 10:30am  
Evening Worship: 6pm  
Wednesday: 7pm  
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed): 7pm

989-348-9220  
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**Resurrection Life Center**  
Pastor: Bud & Debbie Mann  
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Mail: 2640 West M-72 Grayling, MI 49738  
[resurrectionlife@gmail.com](mailto:resurrectionlife@gmail.com)  
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**Mt. Hope Lutheran Church**  
905 N. 1-75 Business Loop  
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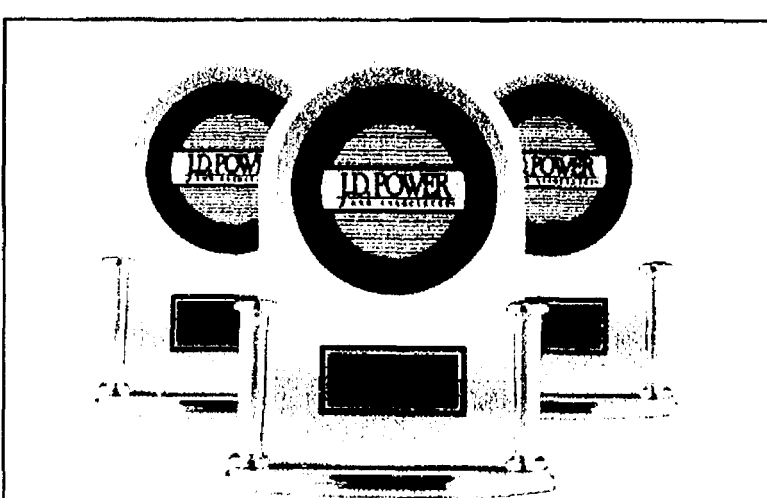
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# Laser show wows crowd for first Frederic Home Fest

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Nu-Salt Laser Light Shows International is a multi-faceted laser light show company with its core focus on activities in research and development, show production and custom installations for a wide array of industries including film, large scale event productions, corporate theater, concerts and tours, outdoor spectacular and night clubs.

The company has done work for such notable clients as Playboy, Harrah's Casino, NBC, FOX, TNN, Coca-Cola, Sony, the Shell Oil Company and the House of Blues.

Gabriel researched and interviewed just over a half dozen companies before making a deal with Nu-Salt Laser Light Shows International for the Frederic Home Fest.

"He's a Michigan boy from Negaunee so he agreed to come and gave us a better deal since we're a non-profit organization," Gabriel said.

Anderson traveled to Frederic, earlier this year, after signing, the contract to get a lay of the land. He

returned this weekend for the Frederic Home Fest with wife, Tiffany and daughter, Halley. The family stayed in Grayling with the Robsons, who have five children, and other family members traveled to see the show.

"It gave us an opportunity to spend time with family and it turned out to be kind of like a family reunion," Anderson said. "It's been amazing to spend some time with them and to show them our perpetual laser show as well."

Prior to the show on Saturday, in an interview with the *Crawford County Avalanche*, Anderson said he put a lot of time and effort into the custom production. The show included a laser light show with music from Pink Floyd and traditional patriotic music.

"It's designed for them and it's going to be an over-top production," said Anderson, who has been in the business for 14 years.

While Anderson and his family were in Michigan, he had another four crews dispatched to Texas, where there have been wildfire and drought conditions, for

Fourth of July celebrations.

A wildfire, which started on June 5, destroyed 817 acres of land west of Frederic, but no homes or lives were lost.

"These kind of laser shows are big now because they can't do the fireworks," Anderson said.

After the show, Anderson said he plans to travel back to Michigan annually to help draw business and tourists into Frederic and Crawford County.

"It turned out fantastic and I think we'll be doing the show on a yearly basis at this point," Anderson said.

Gabriel said people who he talked to compared the highlight of the Frederic Home Fest to a Disney or Las Vegas-type show.

A crowd estimated at 700 attended the show.

"We filled the park and beyond," Gabriel said. "It was spectacular in my eyes. It was unique and different."

John Chad, a director for the Happy-Trials ATV Club, said vendors went away with a lesser load and were

prepared to put money in the bank.

"We sold out of everything and it was big success for a first-time event," Chad said.

Gabriel added that the laser show exceeded the expectations of Frederic Home Fest sponsors.

"We've heard nothing but great reviews," Gabriel said. "It was a good turn out for the first time, no question about it."

Robson's husband, Maj. Jim Robson, who is the facilities engineer at Camp Grayling and has overseen the multi-million investment into the military installation over the couple of years, gave the show a rave review.

"It was quite a show and was quite impressive," Robson said.

Frederic resident Angel Dutton said she was pleased that she took time out of her Fourth of July weekend to attend the laser show.

"For a first year event, for Frederic getting together and doing something like that, I think it went really well," Dutton said.

## Northeast Michigan deer baiting ban lift proposed

State Rep. Peter Pettalia, R-Presque Isle, proposed lifting the deer baiting ban in northeast Michigan for a two-year trial period in a House Resolution passed last week.

In June, the statewide ban on deer baiting in the Lower Peninsula was lifted in all but Alcona, Alpena, Iosco, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle Counties. Pettalia's measure, House Resolution 108, suggests a two-year trial period allowing deer baiting in the region.

"Cases of bovine tuberculosis in northeast Michigan whitetail deer have been steadily declining since 1995," Pettalia said. "There seems to be agreement that to further eliminate the disease, we need a greater deer harvest from hunters to decrease the population, since it is spread through overcrowding."

"Allowing a two year period of baiting would be a win-win for the Department of Natural Resources

(DNR) to reach its deer herd management goals and for local communities that would benefit from increased hunting activity and visitors," Pettalia added.

The resolution reasons that hunters will be more willing to hunt in the six-county area knowing that they have an equal opportunity to attract and bag a deer as their fellow hunters in other areas of the state.

It also stipulates that a study could be conducted on the effect of baiting and the status of bovine tuberculosis in the deer population and cattle herds, once the current policy has the two-year test for comparison.

Copies of House Resolution 108, which overwhelmingly passed the Michigan House of Representatives, will be sent to Rodney Stokes, the director of the DNR, Tim Nichols, chairman of the Natural Resources Commission, and Gov. Rick Snyder.

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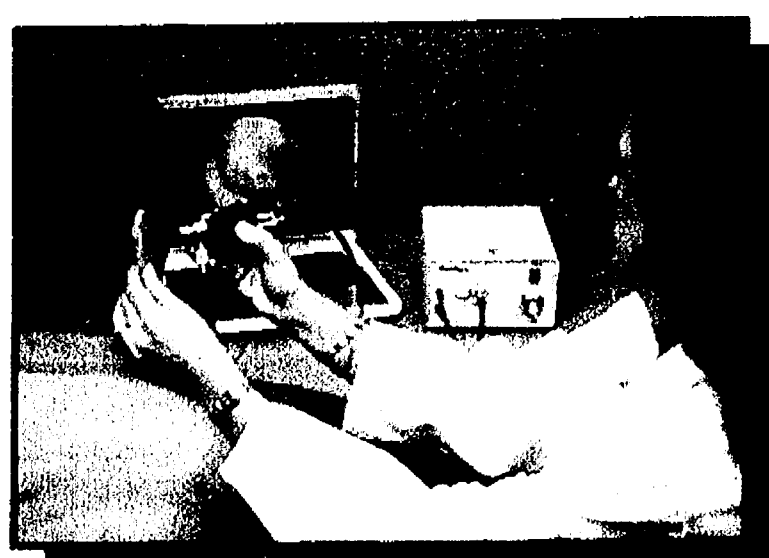
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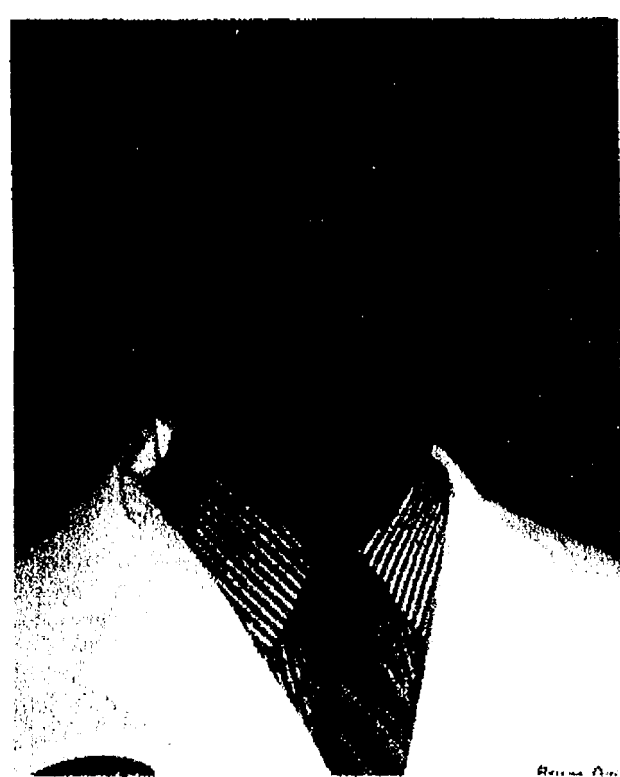
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# Doctor takes over established practice

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A podiatrist familiar to faces and feet in Grayling has taken over an established practice in the community.

Dr. Geoffrey M. Day took over the practice owned and operated by Dr. Carolyn Ward DiPonio, located at 6251 M-72 West. DiPonio retired in December after seeing patients for over 30 years.

For the last two years, Day has been coming to the Grayling Family Practice Clinic, located on North Down River Road, to see patients once day a week.

Day has offices in Gaylord, Grayling, Mackinac Island and Cheboygan. He previously had offices in Petoskey and Sault Ste. Marie.

Day is also on staff at the Cheboygan Memorial Hospital, the Mackinac Straits Hospital in St. Ignace and Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

Day wanted to have more of a presence in Grayling, and thought it was a good fit taking over DiPonio's practice.

"It was a good move for me," he said. "She's been a member of the community for a long time."

Day and medical assistant Renee Wojdan are winding down their schedule at the Grayling Family Practice Clinic and will continue seeing patients at his new office.

"I'm going to be in the individual areas where I work one day a week so it's going to work out pretty well," said Day, a Boyne City resident.

Day has been in practice for 18 years. He did his undergraduate studies at the University of Pittsburgh and completed graduate studies at the Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine, now the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine. DiPonio attended the same college for her doctorate studies.

Day did his residency at the Bromenn Regional Medical Center in Bloomington, Ill.

Day is a board certified podiatric physician and surgeon. To earn that designation, a physician has to go through a rigorous two-day written and two-day oral exam.

"In Michigan, there is only a small percentage of podiatrists that reach that standard," Day said.

Board certification allows Day to work in urgent care clinics, medical practices and to be on staff at hospitals.

"A lot of hospitals now require that, it's mandatory," he said.

Day also serves as a diplomate for the American Board of Podiatric Orthopedics and is a fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Orthopedics and Medicine.

Day said heel pain is a



Photo by Dan Sanderson

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common symptom he is seeing with patients.

"Heel pain can really interrupt someone's life," he said. "The old expression is if your feet hurt, you hurt all over is really true."

Since reports have been recently issued indicating that millions of people have diabetes that do not know they have the disease, Day said it is paramount that those patients take care of their feet.

Day said foot infections

and ulcers, if left untreated, can lead to foot and leg amputation.

"Footcare is absolutely essential for diabetics," Day said. "I'm here and other podiatrists like me are here to try to prevent amputation."

Jan Peters, who worked for DiPonio, will continue on as the office manager for Day.

"She worked for Dr. DiPonio, so she'll be a familiar face at the office," Day said.

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## MDOT's Grayling Transportation Service Center scheduled to close

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) plans to close its Grayling office and the 18 employees located there will be relocated to Gaylord.

MDOT's Transportation Service Center, located at 1680 Hartwick Pines Road, will be closed by Oct. 1. The 18 employees, including engineers, technicians and coordinators, will be transferred to MDOT's North Region in Gaylord.

The closure of the office, which is being leased, is part of eliminating the cost to operate eight MDOT facilities, with a staff that has 15 percent fewer employees than in 2009. The department will save an estimated \$300,000 per year in rent and utilities.

"The changes we are announcing show our commitment to working better, faster, cheaper, safer and smarter for the benefit of Michigan residents and businesses," said State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle. "Our actions show we are committed to consolidating services internally, making smart financial choices to leverage more funding, and partnering with other transportation companies and agencies to save dollars."

"This reorganization provides value to taxpayers, focuses on the needs of the driving public and employs best practices,"

added State Transportation Commission Chairman Jerry Jung. "I commend Director Steudle and his leadership team for making difficult but forward-looking decisions to right-size the department and emphasize core functions."

Leaders on legislative committees with MDOT oversight expressed support for the reorganization.

"The strategic steps the department announced today will allow MDOT to more efficiently serve the state's transportation needs," said Sen. Tom Casperson, R-Escanaba, chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee. "Although there were certainly some difficult decisions to be made, this reorganization will allow MDOT to more effectively focus on its essential operations."

"I am very excited that MDOT is finally focused on becoming a leaner and more efficient organization and getting more funding into roads," added Rep. David Agema, R-Grandville, chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation.

MDOT has 15 percent fewer staff than two years ago, which is worth an estimated \$45 million to the department in potential state and federal funds, plus the department has chosen not to fill 60 man-

ager or supervisor positions.

"We have curtailed hiring in anticipation of fewer federal dollars and the basic need of state government to trim staff," said Steudle. "We are committed to providing the same level of customer service in these areas, but now there are fewer locations, or perhaps more mobile offices. The business world calls it meaner and leaner but we call it smarter. Our Lansing staff is also consolidating offices."

The department is making financial choices that will preserve funding including:

- Using Build America Bonds to save \$22 million in debt service.

- Restructuring Comprehensive Transportation Funding bonds to make more than \$41 million available for transit capital over three years.

- Improving standard processes at MDOT to save \$8 million in staff time in 2010.

The department expects to save \$4 million each year with electronic or energy-efficient technology. The use of electronic bidding will save MDOT and private contractors who do business with the state both time and money, reducing the potential for errors and eliminating 10,000 pieces of paper per

bid letting. Simplified accounting processes will provide a \$100,000 savings each year for MDOT, and save contractors time and money as well.

"Technology advances allow us to address traffic incidents with Intelligent Traffic Systems. In southeast Michigan, we estimate 11.5 million hours of delay was avoided last year, while in Grand Rapids we were able to identify and address 1,100 highway incidents," Steudle said.

The department's investments in transportation infrastructure have earned recognition from its national partners, including the Safe Routes to School Program, which improved healthy walking options for more than 35,000 students in 81 schools. MDOT also is recognized nationally for context-sensitive solutions that increase cost effectiveness and customer benefit.

"In hundreds of ways, we are making improvements that make a difference to Michigan residents and businesses," Steudle said. "Our investments in highway, transit, aviation and railroad infrastructure support and invest in Michigan's economy. With the reorganization of our 106-year-old department, we feel confident that we will be better prepared to address the challenges of the future."

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Dave Shriver, left, pitches for Boyd's Team vs. Kodiak during a Grayling men's softball league series on Wednesday at Hanson Hills. Cory Summers, right, hits the ball for the Kodiak team. Kodiak won both games of the doubleheader (10-7, 14-13).

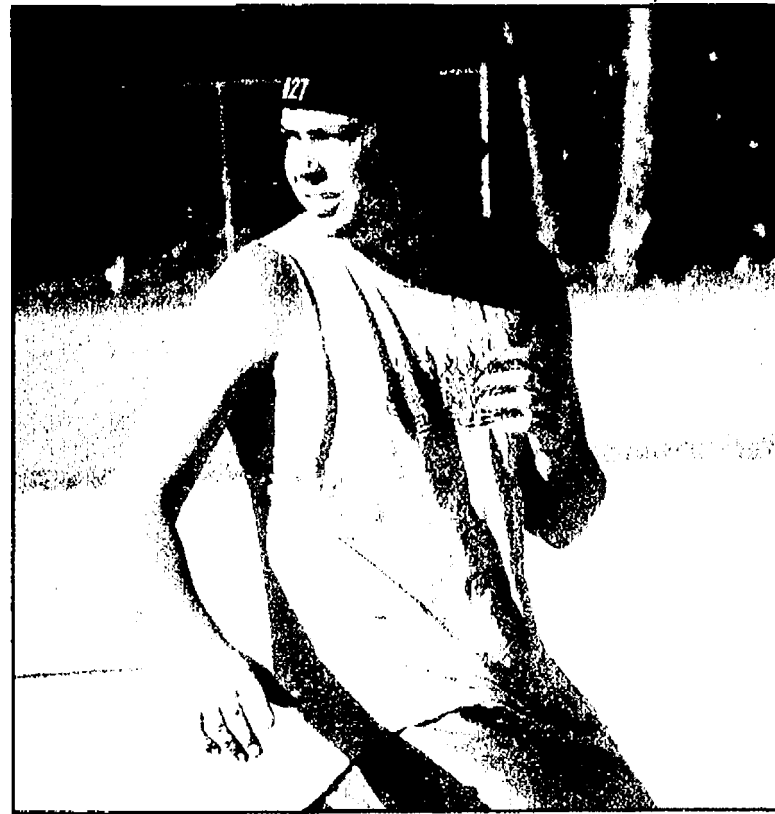
## Men's Softball



Jim Kiefer tosses a pitch for the Kodiak team on Wednesday.



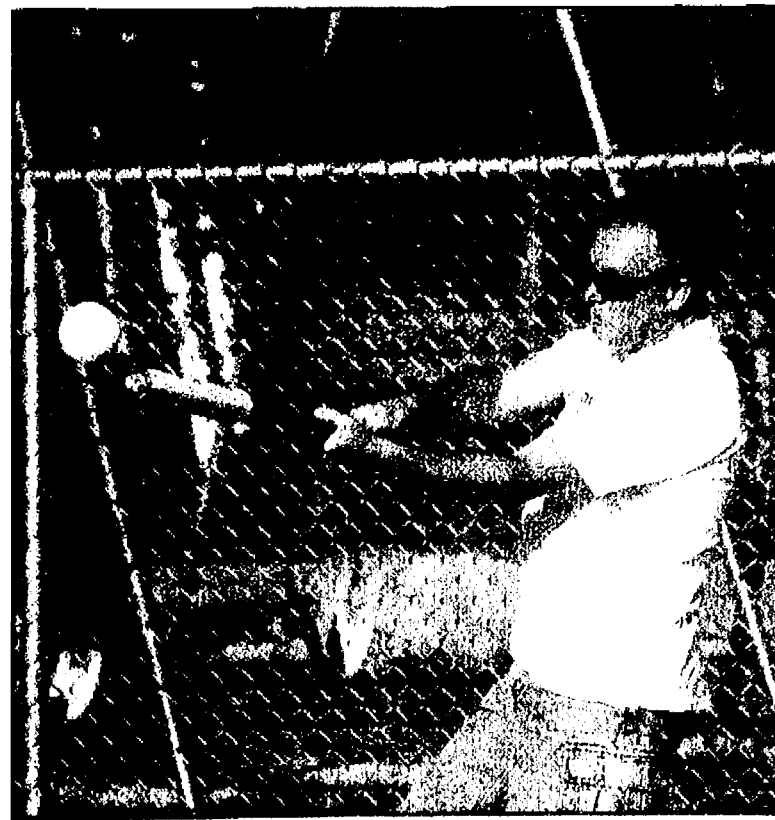
Lucuss Odden hits the ball for Boyd's team vs. Kodiak.



Chris Wakeley of Boyd's Team reaches third base.



Loren Cobb of Kodiak hits the ball during Wednesday's doubleheader.



Andrew Barber hits the ball for Kodiak on Wednesday night.



Arnold Randall hits the ball for Boyd's Team vs. Kodiak.



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Jerry Pratt, left, of SMK runs to first base during Monday's Grayling men's softball league doubleheader at Hanson Hills. Ray Pyle, right, pitcher for the Schreiber Construction team, flips the ball to first base. SMK defeated Schreiber Construction 29-4, 30-9 in the series.

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Zach Schreiber puts the ball in play for the Schreiber Construction team.

Andy Strohpaal throws a pitch for SMK on Monday night.

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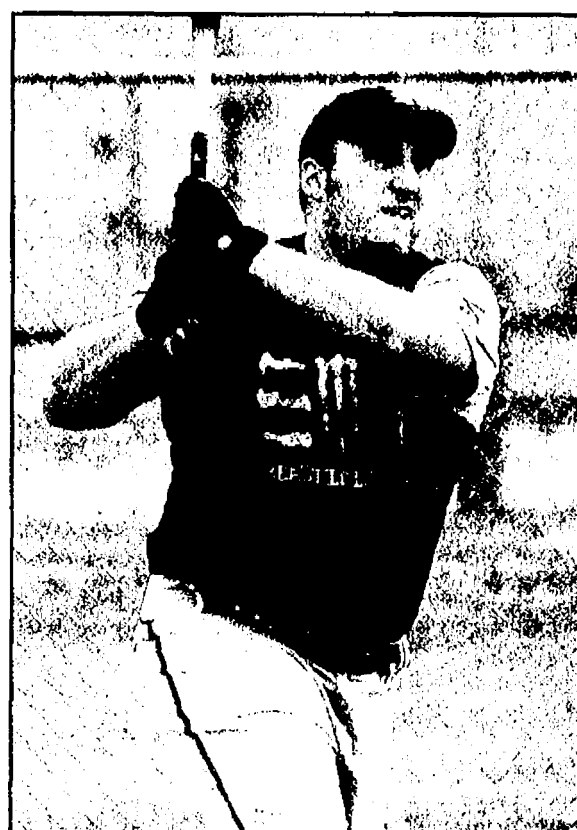
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Barry Davison, left, hits the ball for SMK. Nate Niederer, right, scores a run for Schreiber Construction.



AJ Powers, left, runs to first base for Schreiber Construction. John Petersen, right, drops the bat and heads to first on Monday.

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Jimmy Schwartz hits the ball for the SMK team.



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## Will AuSable Marathon numbers level off or continue to rise?

### 86 teams signed up so far for annual canoe race

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

The AuSable River Canoe Marathon celebrated its 60th anniversary in 2007, a year that featured 75 paddling teams – a new record at the time. In each year since, the AuSable Marathon – a 120-mile all-night canoe race from Grayling to Oscoda slated for the last full weekend in July – has surpassed the previous year's record for most teams. Is 2011 the year that the participation number starts to level off, or will the event have another record field, possibly reaching the 100-team plateau for the first time?

"We'll probably be in the 80s," said John Lucey, member of the AuSable River Canoe Marathon Committee. "Probably not another record year. I think we're going to be close to where we were last year."

In 2010, the event had 94 teams, 82 of which finished the race, surpassing the previous year's records for the fourth consecutive time. The race had 90 teams and 75 finishers in 2009. In 2008 the AuSable Marathon had 76 paddling duos, 66 of which finished. In 2007 – the event's 60th anniversary – the marathon had 75



Fans cheer as Andrew Triebold and Steve Lajoie finish the 2010 AuSable Marathon.

canoes (58 finishers).

As of Tuesday, July 5, 86 teams were registered for the 2011 AuSable River Canoe Marathon. The list includes Andrew Triebold and Steve Lajoie, a duo that has won the event for three consecutive years and four times in all (2010, 2009, 2008, and 2004).

In an effort to better handle the increased number of teams, the AuSable Marathon Committee opted to add a third day to the time trials/sprints for starting position event. In previous years the time trials have been a two-day event – Thursday and Friday during the week of the AuSable Marathon. This year, time

trials will be held on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, July 27-29 (4-8 p.m. on the first two days and 2-6 p.m. on the third day).

Time trials determine starting spots for the AuSable Marathon. On race night teams will line up according to sprint times, five canoes per row, on Peninsular Avenue. At the starting signal teams will run with their canoes to the water at the Old AuSable Fly Shop.

The 64th Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon will begin at 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 30. The race has 15 timing checkpoints and several portages; it ends at Oscoda

on Sunday, with teams finishing in 14 to 19 hours.

In general, several teams do not reach the finish line for a variety of reasons, including injury, illness, fatigue, boat damage, and failure to meet timing criteria. In 2010, 12 teams out of 94 did not finish. Fifteen didn't make it in 2009, 10 came up short in 2008, and 17 did not reach the finish line in 2007.

The AuSable Marathon, which has had nearly 100 canoes/200 competitors for each of the past few years, draws thousands of spectators throughout the event. This year's field, so far, includes competitors from Michigan, Kansas, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Florida, Connecticut, New York, Indiana, North Carolina, Minnesota, Washington, Vermont, Illinois, and Canada.

"It's good for the community. The out-of-town paddlers really appreciate the hospitality of the Grayling community. That's why they keep coming back," Lucey said. "They're very impressed with how the race is run, the community, and the competitors themselves."

## Grayling Country Club News

Wednesday Ladies League  
by Donna Thomson

On Wednesday, June 29, we ended the month with a beautiful sunny day for our annual "Play for Pink" day. Started out a little chilly, but it didn't take long before we could take off our jackets and get down to business.

There were a lot of smiling faces of members and guests who came to support this special day spearheaded by Lynda Hetrick. Lynda did a wonderful job and delegated very well. Helping hands make the job a little easier.

Upon arrival, the clubhouse, was decorated beautifully by Nancy Hoffman and Aggie Trudgeon, with small bouquets of pink flowers on each table. Really a pretty little touch. On the outside, Char Clark and I decorated all 18 holes with baskets of flowers on some and Pink noodle in the shape of the breast cancer logo on all holes. Jack Trudgeon came through again and skillfully fixed nine more dowels for our use with the noodles, this keeps them from blowing away.

We all registered with Jeanette Kitchen who had all our cards prepared, then purchased mulligans from Gloria Neilson. After a good hot cup of coffee and a doughnut, we all went out to our respective tee off hole and play began at 9 a.m.

There were prizes given for play on certain holes and on #6 - the Longest Drive was by Char Clark. #8 - Closest in 2 - JoAnn Michal; #9 - Longest Putt - Jeanette Kitchen; #13 - Closest in 2 - Lynn McConnell; #15 - Longest Drive - Brenda Tuskan; #18 - Longest Putt - Shelly Cohee.

We had two "Mystery Holes" again this year and were carefully monitored by Paul Hetrick on #7 wearing a pink T-shirt and on

#11 Paul Van Mill, our "Man in Pink" This year he even had on new pink socks! The winner getting closest to the pin on #7 was Becky Walraith and on #11 was Sharon Klinger. Both ladies received a beautiful new putter. Golf balls were given to those who landed on the green on #7 and a pink golf ball was given to all players from Chris, our manager. Paul VanMill handed these out. Nice surprise.

When we arrived back at the clubhouse, there were some very tasty appetizers and fruit that had been brought in by some of our members. Then Lynda Hetrick, thanked all who made this a great day and then announced our winners. In first place was the team of Connie Gates, Kay Ellen King, Jeanette Kitchen and Brenda Tuskan with a winning score of 68. In 2nd place was the team of Shelly Cohee, Lynn McConnell, Ronise Norton and Pam Terry with a 72. Great job to all.

Tickets were sold for a 50/50 raffle and also for a beautiful blanket donated by Pat Kennedy. Deb Periard won the 50/50 and Connie Gates was the winner of the blanket.

Lynda then asked Nancy Hoffman to give the invocation before lunch, which Nancy always does so beautifully and from the heart. We all enjoyed a nice Chef salad and a roll and later cake of white and chocolate cake with pink and white icing that Kay Ellen King had arranged to get and was donated by Glen's Market.

After lunch, Nancy Glasslee and Marilyn Hartman handed out a lot of gifts and gift certificates which had been donated to our group. All in all, it was a wonderful day and we were so happy to see new faces amongst us.

As in the past, the generosity of our very caring community has shone through. All of the goals to eradicate breast cancer will one day be successful if the people in our town are any indication.

Hope to see you all back again next year. Talk it up with your friends so we may have even more teams to help in our endeavor.

Next week, we'll be back to our regular play, so I do hope the sunny skies continue with a little more warmth. That's all "fore" now.

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Tuesday Morning  
Ladies League

The Tuesday Morning Ladies Golf League results for 6/29/10 are: Mickey Perez and Debi Bonkoski moved back into first place by forfeit from Linda Marcereau and Roxanne James and Katy McNamara bowed into second place with grace. Our own JoAnne

Michal won low putts and Balkis Shippy took a birdie with a long putt on #7. Roxanne won three skins, JoAnne had two skins, Debi had one skin as Linda Fouts, Balkis and Bev as well. Though it was very windy and chilly everyone played all 18 holes and had a nice lunch in the club house.

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Photos by Dan Sanderson

The Grayling High School Band performed on the lawn in front of Citizens Bank during the Fourth of July Parade Monday. The parade was sponsored by the VFW's Women's Auxiliary. Above, the band is pictured playing near the tail end of the parade.

## Fourth of July fun in Grayling



The Grayling Youth Booster Club organized several kids games and attraction for Fourth of July festivities on Monday. Above left, River Antcliff, 5, of Grayling, takes part in the ring toss game. Above right, Brittanie Snyder won some candy at the ring toss.



The Grayling Youth Booster Club had a bouncy castle placed by the Grayling Regional Chamber offices for some Fourth of July fun. Above, Aeden Woodman, 4, from Grayling, bounces near the exit of the castle.



The Grayling Youth Booster Club held its annual Fourth of July Kids Free Fishing Contest on Monday. Above, Angela Thomson, from Redford, and Ryan Wallinger, from Charlotte, were the first youth to catch trout from the AuSable River during the contest and snagged free fishing poles to take home.

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# Legal Action

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roy C. VanLuchene, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Plus (Michigan) Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 10, 2007, and recorded on July 16, 2007 in Liber 687 on Page 625, and assigned by mesne assignments to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Two and 94/100 Dollars (\$100,622.94), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on July 20, 2011.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 16, Block 2, Karen Woods Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records.

**AND ALSO PARCEL A**, the Southwest 1/2 of Lot 17, Block 2, Karen Woods Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records, as shown on Certificate of Survey recorded in Liber 140, Page 494, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 16, 2011  
For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #368276F01

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven C Tinker a single person, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 26, 2003, and recorded on December 8, 2003 in Liber 661 on Page 80, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Central Mortgage Company as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Six and 08/100 Dollars (\$86,136.08), including interest at 5.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on August 3, 2011.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing At The Northwest Corner Of The Northwest 1/4 Of The Northeast 1/4 Of Section 28, Township 28

North, Range 4 West; Thence South 80 Rods; Thence East 22 Rods, Thence North 80 Rods; Thence West 22 Rods To The Point Of Beginning; And Commencing At A Point 22 Rods East Of The Northwest Corner Of The Northwest 1/4 Of The Northeast 1/4 Of Section 28; Town 28 North, Range 4 West; Thence South 80 Rods; Thence East 4 Rods; Thence North To The County Road; Thence Northwesterly Along The County Road To The Place Of Beginning, Township Of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 30, 2011  
For more information, please call: FCJ (248) 593-1311  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #371781F01

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## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William F. DeZomits and Laurie D. DeZomits, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Mortgagee, dated January 25, 2008, and recorded on February 5, 2008 in Liber 690 on Page 179, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Three and 95/100 Dollars (\$111,153.95), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on July 20, 2011.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel E-2: Part of the South 3/4 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of Section 6, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan; Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 6; thence North 0 degrees 24 minutes East (along the North and South 1/4 line), 638.9 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 0 degrees 24 minutes East, 397.0 feet; thence North 89 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds East, 658.51 feet; thence South 0 degrees 24 minutes 30 seconds West, 397.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds West, 658.40 feet to the point of beginning. Also use of and subject to a 66 foot road and utility easement lying 33 feet each side of a line described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 6, Town 25 North, Range 3 West; thence North 89 degrees 04 minutes 40 seconds East (along the Section line), 658.2 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 0 degrees 24 minutes 30 seconds East, 3948.29 feet to the point of ending on the North 1/8 line of said Section 6.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 16, 2011  
For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #370864F01

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## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

**THIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE.**

PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN: PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by JOHN MILLER, a single man, and JOAN MILLER, a single woman, of 2747 Peters Rd., Grayling, Michigan, 49738, MORTGAGOR, to WILDFIRE CREDIT UNION d/b/a COMMUNICATIONS FAMILY CREDIT UNION, 6640 Bay Road, Saginaw, Michigan 48605, MORTGAGEE, said Mortgage dated, December 12, 2005, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 679, Page 48 of Mortgages, on December 19, 2005, which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this Notice a principal balance in the amount of Seventy Eight Thousand One Hundred Sixty Four Dollars and Fifty Nine Cents (\$78,164.59) plus interest and costs.

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 17th day of August, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. on said day, at the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for said County, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, of the said premises described in said Mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid on said mortgage with interest thereon, at the rate of Five Point Seven Five (5.75%) percent per annum, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed

by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the undersigned necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows:

Property situated in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, State of Michigan, to-wit:

THE NORTH 100 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWN 27 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, LYING EAST OF THE EAST BRANCH OF THE AUSALE RIVER.

Pursuant to Section 27A3240 (3), Michigan Statutes Annotated the redemption period is six months from the date of the above referenced sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MSA 27A3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, unless redeemed according to the law, in such case made and provided.

CHRIST A. ANAGNOST (P10161)  
Attorney for Wildfire Credit Union

PREPARED BY:  
ANAGNOST & HALL, P.C.  
BY: CHRIST A. ANAGNOST (P10161)  
Attorney at Law  
4015 State Street  
Saginaw, Michigan 48603  
(989) 793-1470

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## NOTICE

**FORECLOSURE NOTICE** This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Martha S Varga and Frank C Varga, Wife and Husband to Saxon Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 13, 2001 and recorded October 31, 2001 in Liber 558 Page 166 Crawford County Records, Michigan and assigned to: Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas fka Banker's Trust Company, as Trustee for Saxon Asset Securities Trust 2001-1 by assignment of mortgage dated June 8, 2011 and subsequently recorded in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$80,563.19) including interest 10.99% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on July 27, 2011 Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot numbered 5, Jonassen Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 55, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as 11921 Steckert Bridge Rd., Roscommon MI 48653 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined aban-

doned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 6/23/2011 Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas fka Banker's Trust Company, as Trustee for Saxon Asset Securities Trust 2001-1 Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-35194

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## NOTICE

**FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES) AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.**

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Edwin Robert Pellegrini and Kitty Jean Pellegrini, husband and wife of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor to U.S. Bank National Association ND dated the 24th day of March, 2006, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 17th day of April, 2006, in Liber 680, Page 849 of Crawford Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$43,620.41 (forty-three thousand six hundred twenty and 41/100) plus accrued interest at 2.00% (two point zero zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or

in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 27th day of July, 2011, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg in Grayling, MI, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of South Branch, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford and State of Michigan: Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, RIVER OAKS SUBDIVISION, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 27, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as: 107 River Oaks Dr. PPN: 064-735-000-001-00 (Lot 1); 064-735-000-002-00 (Lot 2); 064-735-000-003-00 (Lot 3); 064-735-000-004-00 (Lot 4) The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: June 23, 2011 By: Michael L. Rich (P-41938) Attorney for Plaintiff Welterman, Weinberg, and Reis 2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48084 WWR# 10062984

-23-30-7-14

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

Northern Lakes Community Mental Health (NLCMH) will be holding public hearings, at the locations shown below, to seek community input on:

- Current unmet local mental health need
- Appropriateness, accessibility, and effectiveness of current services
- Future need and direction

Information will be provided on a draft FY 2012 budget, the NLCMH Strategic Plan, services provided, and potential changes.

Cadillac – Monday, July 25, 4:00 – 5:30 pm, at the NLCMH Cadillac Office located at 527 Cobbs Street.

Grayling – Friday, July 29, 2:00 – 3:30 pm, at the NLCMH Grayling Office located at 204 Meadows Drive.

Houghton Lake – Friday, July 29, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm, at the NLCMH Houghton Lake Office located at 2715 South Townline Road.

Traverse City – Tuesday, July 26, 4:00 – 5:30 pm, at the NLCMH Traverse City Office located at 105 Hall Street, 3rd Floor Board Room.

We encourage all those who are interested to attend and share your ideas. Written testimony may be sent to Greg Paffhouse, CEO, Northern Lakes Community Mental Health, 105 Hall Street, Suite A, Traverse City, Michigan 49684.

Individuals requiring special accommodations to attend should call 231-935-3677 from July 18, 2011.

## BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP 2011-2012 MEETING SCHEDULE

Please be advised that the Beaver Creek Township Board has changed its regular monthly meeting from the second Monday of the month to the second Tuesday of the month. The meeting schedule for the next fiscal year is as follows:

### REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm

July 12, 2011	January 10, 2012
August 9, 2011	February 14, 2012
September 13, 2011	March 13, 2012
October 11, 2011	April 10, 2012
November 8, 2011	May 8, 2012
December 13, 2011	June 12, 2012

### PLANNING COMMISSION

First Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm

July 5, 2011	January 3, 2012
August 2, 2011	February 7, 2012
September 6, 2011	March 6, 2012
October 4, 2011	April 3, 2012
November 1, 2011	May 1, 2012
December 6, 2011	June 5, 2012

### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm

July 19, 2011	January 17, 2012
August 16, 2011	February 21, 2012
September 20, 2011	March 20, 2012
October 18, 2011	April 17, 2012
November 15, 2011	May 15, 2012
December 20, 2011	June 19, 2012

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

## MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

**MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW WILL MEET ON TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2011 AT 9 AM AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL ON SHERMAN ROAD.**

**THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING WILL BE TO CORRECT CLERICAL ERRORS OR MUTUAL MISTAKES OF FACT RELEVANT TO ASSESSMENT FIGURES, RATE OF TAXATION, MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATION, CALCULATION OF CAPPED VALUES AND TAXABLE VALUES.**

**RESPECTFULLY,  
MARK D. KNISS  
SUPERVISOR  
MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP**

## NOTICE OF SUMMER TAX DEFERMENT

You may qualify for a Summer 2011 property tax deferment on your Principal Residence (Homestead). This deferment is not a cancellation of property taxes—it is an extension of the due date for the Summer Tax until February 14, 2012 without penalty or interest charges.

**Persons interested in applying for this deferment must contact their local Township or City Treasurer before Wednesday, September 14, 2011. Applications for deferment of Summer 2011 property taxes cannot be accepted after that date.**

Vivian Balmes, Beaver Creek Township Treasurer	989-275-8878
Sandra Barber, Frederic Township Treasurer	989-348-8778
Cindy Olson, Charter Township of Grayling Treasurer	989-348-4361
Ann Duby, Lovells Township Treasurer	989-348-9215
Denise Babbitt, Maple Forest Township Treasurer	989-348-5794
Suzanne Luck, South Branch Township Treasurer	989-275-8232
Terry McGregor, City of Grayling Treasurer	989-348-2131

# Features

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## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



**July 7, 1988 - Russ Peterson (left) and Laudy Harrison (right) are shown on the cannon at Camp Grayling back in 1921. Sixty-seven years later, the two Grayling natives posed in front of the same cannon recently dedicated at the Crawford Historical Museum.**

### 23 Years Ago July 7, 1988

Bob McLean, owner of McLean's Ace Hardware, performed the ribbon cutting at the ceremony on June 23, marking the remodeling and the name change from McLean's Promart to McLean's Ace Hardware.

Bob McLachlan announced his candidacy for County Commissioner of District #7, which consists of portions of Frederic and Grayling Townships.

The Georgia-Pacific Corp. has donated a \$5,000 sponsorship grant to finance the Grayling Fish Hatchery's 1988 Environmental Clean-up

### Program.

The Frederic High School Alumni Banquet was held on June 25, at the K of C Hall, with 100 in attendance. Prizes were given out to the following: The Oldest Alumni was Max Tobin - Class of 1922; the Farthest Distance - Eugene Arndt from California, Class of 1938; the Youngest - two members of the Class of 61 - Fred Allen and Lynn Charron.

He has been a familiar face to downtown shoppers since the late 1930's. Earlier this year, Devere Dawson celebrated his golden anniversary - 50 years as manager of Dawson's.

### 46 Years Ago July 8, 1965

In the two-ball foursome played Sunday at the Grayling Country Club, winners of low gross were Mary Pettingill and Glenn Sawyer and low putts were Gloria Kraus and Jim Bendig. High gross score was totaled by Jean Weaver and Larry Ostrowski, high putts by Ward Ellison and Mary Woodburn.

The downriver area experienced a fire Sunday afternoon, June 27, of about one acre, caused by a tree falling across and breaking a power line, just east of the W. Edward Myers home on the AuSable. The blaze was

spotted by the Down River Fire Tower and fire truck and tractor plows were sent in and directed by the conservation plane to plow around the fire.

### 69 Years Ago July 9, 1942

Louise Feldhauser, who is attending the Mercy Hospital Training School for Nurses in Muskegon, arrived home for a month's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Feldhauser.

A terrific windstorm came up suddenly Tuesday night about 10 p.m. and played havoc in the city for a few minutes. A huge poplar tree near the Julius Nielson property was blown down and fell across the wires, hindering electric service in that part of town for several hours.

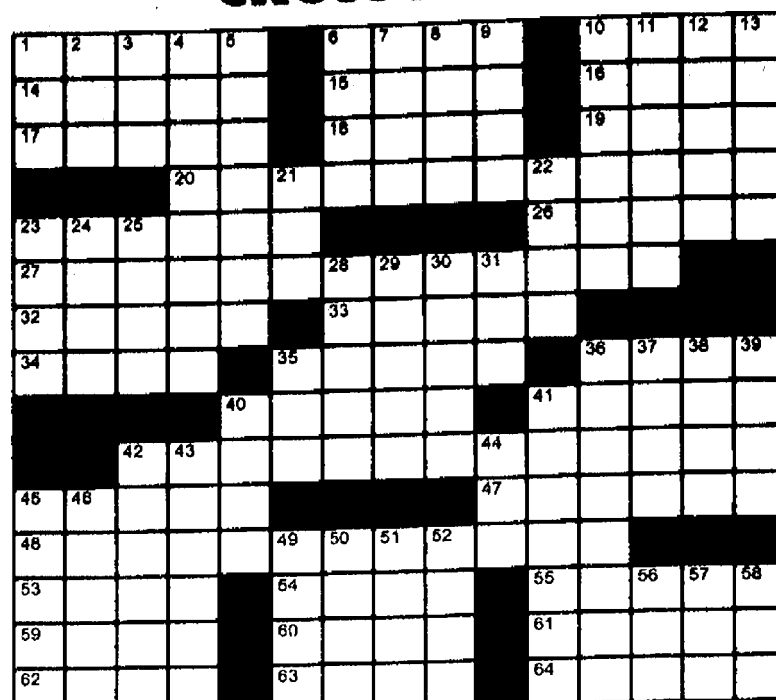
### 92 Years Ago July 10, 1919

H. Peterson has purchased one of Burke's cottages at Lake Margrethe and the Peterson and Earl Dawson families are spending several weeks.

Willfred Annis, who has been attached to a motor mechanic unit overseas for several months, arrived home from Camp Custer where he had received his discharge from the service.

Rasmus Hanson is having an upright built on his home on Michigan Avenue.

## CROSSWORD



### Across

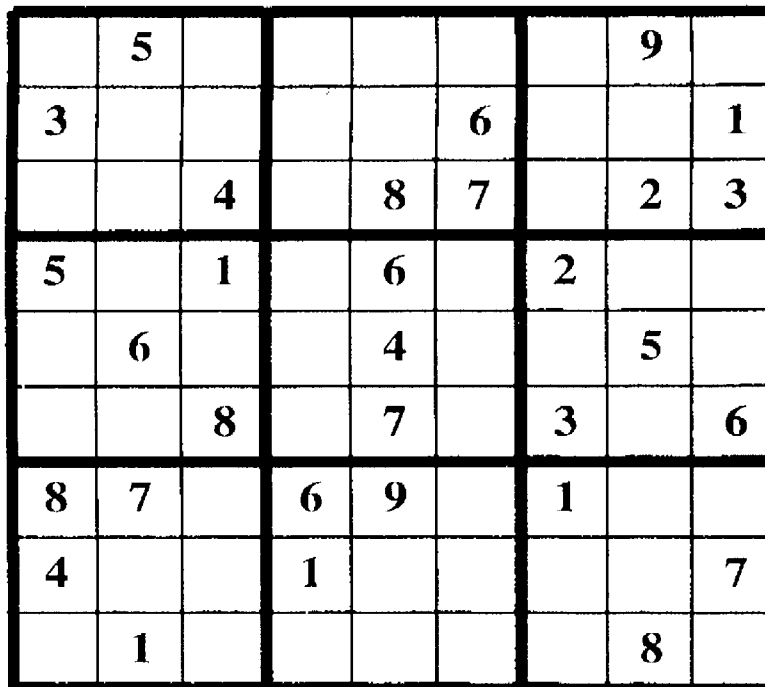
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- New news
- "Farewell, mon ami"
- 100 cents
- Woman's dress, in India
- Blow
- Discontinue
- Bluenose
- U.S. citizens with African origins (2 wd)
- Feeble
- Range rovers
- Funny stage play with songs
- 747, e.g.
- Female demon
- Wallop
- Electrical unit
- fruit
- Chinese Empire official's residence
- Deprive of courage
- Punctuation preceding spoken text
- Bake, as eggs
- Fill in the \_\_\_\_ (pl.)
- Preservation of the environment
- The "A" of ABM
- Part of BYO
- Broadcasting (2 wd)
- Aim
- A chorus line
- 1965 King arrest site
- Combustible heap
- House
- Enlighten

### Down

- Cigarette
- "Much \_\_\_\_ About Nothing"
- "Flying Down to \_\_\_\_"
- Maligning
- \_\_\_\_ it to say
- Change
- Halo, e.g.
- Gift tag word
- Hit the bottle
- Saw
- It's a \_\_\_\_ from... (2 wd)
- Simple chord
- Indications
- Victor
- Performer of "Cheers"
- Intensifies, with "up"
- Nonexistent
- Biblical birthright seller
- Andean animal
- Addition symbol
- Certain Arab
- Atlantic
- \_\_\_\_ Tuesday (Mardi Gras)
- Without a crew
- F.B.I. operative
- Caper
- Signs, as a contract
- Auld lang syne
- Set free
- Albanian coin
- Bearish
- \_\_\_\_ Van Kenobi
- Little rascal
- Dearest
- Scandinavian pile rugs
- Electric unit
- Mercury, for one
- Believe
- "Aladdin" prince
- International Monetary Fund (acronym)
- \_\_\_\_ Charles, musician

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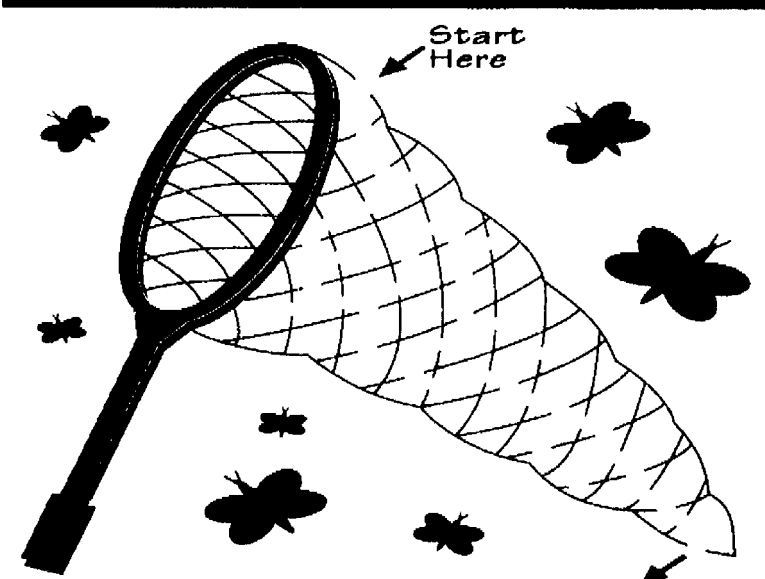
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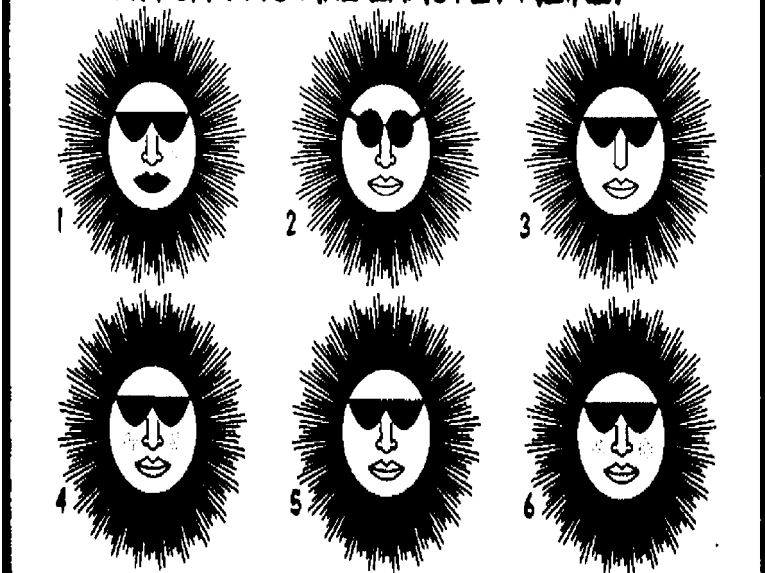
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## MAZE



## FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



# HOROSCOPES

Week of July 3, 2011

**CAPRICORN**  
December 22-January 19

A vacation opportunity comes knocking. Seize it with all of your might. Capricorn, small blunders at work make for a trying week. Someone close swoops in with the answer.

**ARIES**  
March 21-April 19

The pull of friends is strong. You must resist the temptation in order to meet a deadline. Finish on time, Aries, and you'll be free to play all you want.

**CANCER**  
June 22-July 22

A news item inspires you to reach out to others. Start with an organization close to home, Cancer. Your stance on an issue is seriously challenged.

**LIBRA**  
September 23-October 22

Privacy becomes a real issue at home. Face the facts, Libra, and resolve to protect yours at all costs. What others do not know will not hurt them in this case.

**AQUARIUS**  
January 20-February 18

Bold, bold, bold! What more can you say about your recent financial stroke, Aquarius? Get ready to sit back and reap the rewards. Tips from a loved one are right on target.

**TAURUS**  
April 20-May 20

Chortles of laughter enliven the week, Taurus. You begin to make heads and tails of a mess left in your hands, and the workload decreases significantly.

**LEO**  
July 23-August 22

Pools of apologies flood your home this week, Leo. Be forgiving and hold no grudges. Your love life gets a major boost with a mini vacation.

**SCORPIO**  
October 23-November 21

Bad, bad, bad. That is all that comes to mind when a touchy subject becomes the focus of a discussion yet again, Scorpio. Stay out of it. You've already said your peace.

**PISCES**  
February 19-March 20

Independence comes at a huge price at home. Be strong, Pisces, and move forward with no regrets. A goal once thought lost is finally fulfilled.

**GEMINI**  
May 21-June 21

A masterful plan is set into action. Be careful to play your part well, Gemini. A comment from a stranger helps you see a situation for what it is.

**VIRGO**  
August 23-September 22

The humdrum of life starts to get to you. Break out of the routine by accepting an invitation, Virgo. You will have a great time in spite of your reservations.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
November 22-December 21

A freak incident at home rattles everyone's cage. Take steps to ensure it doesn't happen again, Sagittarius. Issues at work require further research before any action can be taken.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY.

**Open: Everyday - 10am to 3pm**

## ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED! The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today! Visit our website for more information.

**Lizzie**

Lizzie is sweet and unique young dog. Her breed mix is a bit of a mystery, she has a black mask with striking blue eyes. Lizzie is high energy, very affectionate and would do best as the only fur baby in a family. She has been spayed, vaccinated and micro chipped.

Visit us at: [www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org](http://www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org)

Ausable Valley Animal Shelter  
5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117  
For more pets or more information, visit our website [www.uscc.petfinder.com](http://www.uscc.petfinder.com)

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

**Last Week**

Date	H	L	Rein. inches
6/26	51	50	0.03
6/29	71	41	0
6/30	82	44	0
7/1	70	63	0
7/2	88	56	0
7/3	84	47	0
7/4	84	53	0

**Extended Forecast**  
(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 77	High 79	High 80	High 81	High 80	High 78
Low 49	Low 56	Low 61	Low 62	Low 57	Low 57
Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Isolated T-Storms	Isolated T-Storms	Partly Cloudy

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

### GRILLED GARLIC POTATO SALAD

**Ingredients:**

1-1 1/2 lb. small red potatoes (about 12), cut in half

1 1/3 cup water

4 large cloves garlic, unpeeled

1/2 cup Italian Dressing, divided

3/4 cup Mayonnaise

2 tsp. yellow mustard

2 stalks celery, chopped

**Directions:**

**HEAT** grill to medium-high heat.

**PLACE** potatoes and water in 2-qt. microwaveable casserole; cover with lid. Microwave on HIGH 8 min., rotating dish after 4 min. Meanwhile, cut thin slice off top of each garlic clove, leaving papery skin on cloves; discard tops. (Do not cut root ends.) Place garlic on sheet of foil; drizzle with 1 Tbsp. dressing. Wrap garlic in foil.

**DRAIN** potatoes; thread onto skewers. Brush with some of the remaining dressing. Grill potatoes and garlic 10 to 15 min. or until potatoes are tender, turning potatoes frequently and brushing with remaining dressing. Remove potatoes and garlic from grill; cool.

**REMOVE** garlic pulp from skins. (See Tip.) Mix garlic with mayo and mustard in large bowl. Add potatoes and celery to mustard mixture; mix lightly. Refrigerate several hours or until chilled.

Prep Time: 25 mins  
Cook Time: 30-40 mins  
Makes 4 servings 1/2 cup each



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## 1. Real Estate



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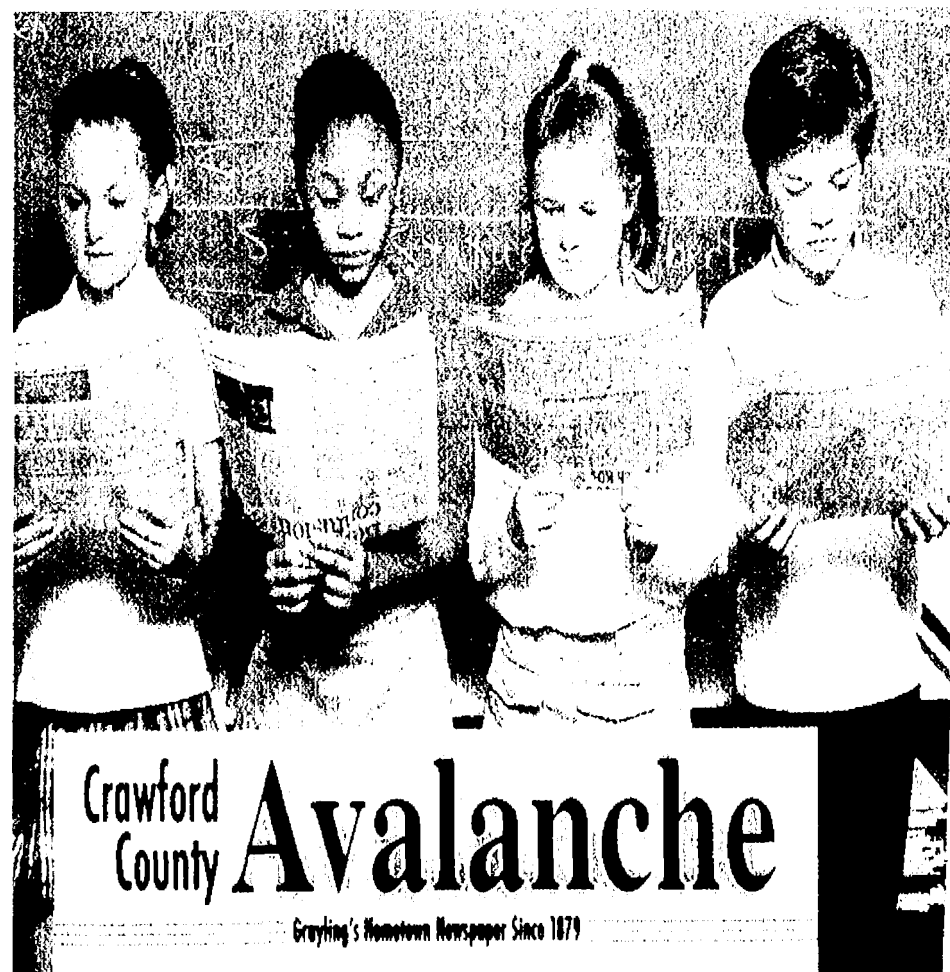
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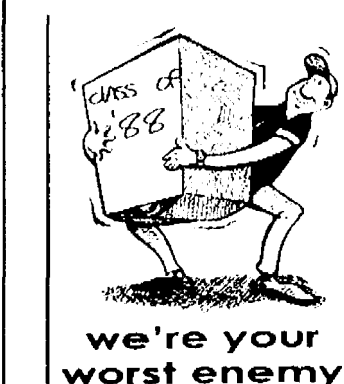
  
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11. Automotive

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The City of Grayling will be accepting bids for a 2003 Ford Crown Vic with Police Package, VIN #2FAP71WX3X136164. The car has approximately 106,000 miles and will be sold "AS IS". Minimum Bid is \$1,000. The car can be seen at City Hall.

The City Clerk will accept sealed bids until 4:00 PM on Friday, July 15, 2011. Sealed bids must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked as "Sealed Bid for 2003 Crown Vic" and may be submitted to the Grayling City Clerk at 1020 City Boulevard, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738. We reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

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11. Automotive

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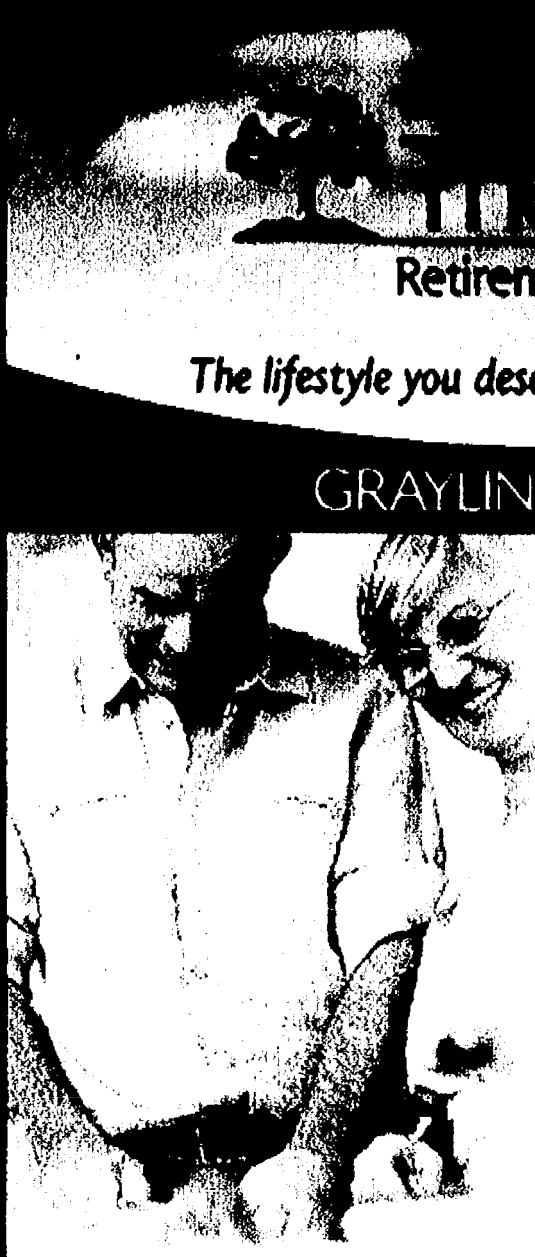
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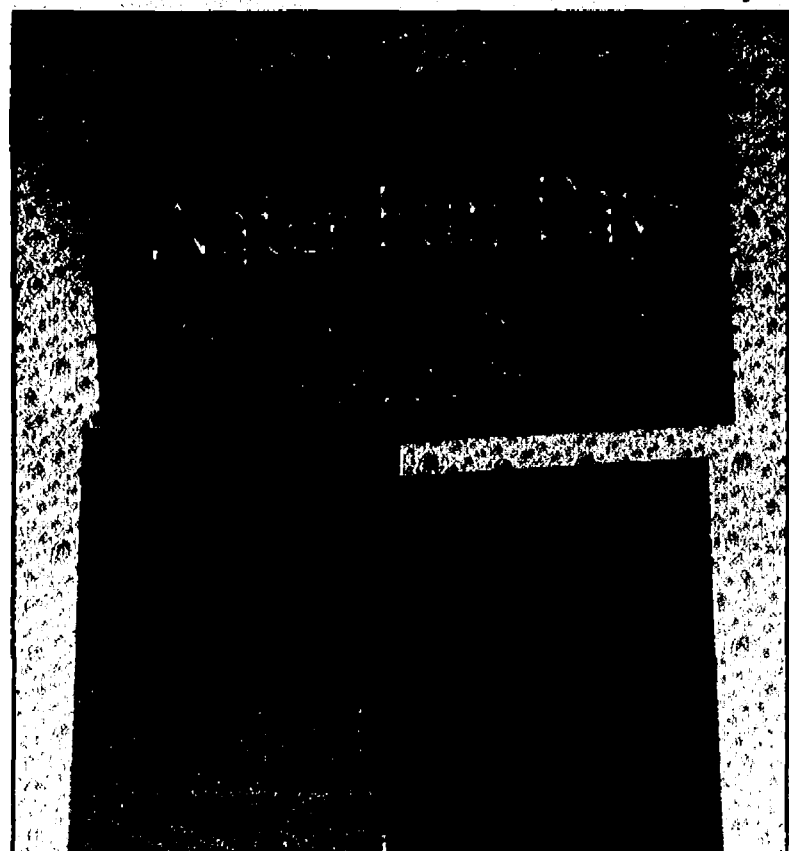
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The Grayling Youth Booster Club held its annual Kids Free Fishing Contest, free games and attractions in the AuSable River City Park on the Fourth of July. Above left, Ethan Pemberton, 2, from Grayling, plays in the huge mound of sand placed by the park's pavilion. Above right, Kiley Collins, 9, of Rockford, maneuvers multiple hula-hoops with her body on Monday.



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The Grayling Youth Booster Club provided free watermelon as part of the kid's games and attractions on the Fourth of July. Above, sisters Jaden Cottrell, 4, and Taylor Albright, 7, eat some watermelon as they wore their matching Fourth of July outfits Monday.



The Booster Club organized several kids games and activities, which were held by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Offices, for the Fourth of July. Above, Jillian Hartman, 3, displays the duck she pulled from the kiddie pool during the pick a duck game.

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The Grayling Youth Booster Club served up hundreds of hot dogs and polish dogs at its Fourth of July concession stand Monday. Above, Grayling Youth Booster Club member Max Tobin mans the grill as he wears his master chef hat.



Youth through senior citizens showcased their talent during the Fourth of July Contest organized and operated by Diane Chamberlin from Dharma Music. Above, although wearing a British Union Jack flag T-shirt, Danielle Cincilla, 14, paid tribute to her country by singing Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the U.S.A." as Chamberlin operates the controls in the background.